

## Dates of Effect

The Guam Community College Catalog Academic Year (AY) 2024-2025 is in effect from 08/14/24 to 07/11/2025. Any changes to catalog content during this time will be noted on addenda posted on the GCC website ([www.guamcc.edu](http://www.guamcc.edu)).

## History of the College

Guam Community College is a public postsecondary educational institution, created by Public Law 14-77 in 1977 (as amended by P.L. 31-99 in 2011) to strengthen and consolidate Career and Technical Education (CTE) on Guam. The College operates secondary and postsecondary CTE programs, adult and continuing education, community education, and short-term specialized training. These programs are delivered both on and off-campus, in satellite programs and on site at businesses as needed. The College also serves as the State Board of Control for career and technical education under the United States Vocational Education Act of 1946, 1963, and subsequent amendments.

The College offers over 50 fields of study, and prepares students for entry into the workforce, or transfer to four-year colleges and universities with advanced standing in professional and technical degree programs. The College offers a variety of community service and special programs to prepare students for college experiences, including adult education (English as a Second Language, Adult Basic Education, and Adult High School) and GED® high school equivalency exams.

## Vision

Guam Community College will be the premier educational institution for providing globally recognized educational and workforce development programs.

## Mission Statement

Guam Community College is a leader in career and technical workforce development, providing the highest quality, student-centered education and job training for Micronesia (Board of Trustees Policy 100).

### Sinangan Misi3n (CHamoru translation):

Guiya i Kulehon Kumunidat Guahan, i mas takhilo' mamanaguen fina'che'cho' yan i teknikat na kinahulo' i manfáfache'cho' ya u na' guaguaha nu i manakhilo' yan manmaolek na tiningo' ni i manmafananagui yan i fina'na'guen cho'cho' para Maikronesiha.

## Core Values

### Diversity

We value an engaged, inclusive culture that embraces diverse points of view and collaboration to accomplish the College's common goals.

### Accountability

We value a culture of institutional and individual responsibility, transparency, and continuous assessment and improvement.

### Service

We support and recognize service at all levels of the College. We strive to contribute to the benefit of the College, students, community, and our neighboring islands within Micronesia.

### Integrity

We hold high standards of character and integrity as the foundation upon which the College is created.

### Learning-Centered

We foster intellectual flexibility, knowledge, and skills by integrating teaching, assessment, and learning to promote continuous improvement of our programs and services to support our scholarly community.

### Student-Focused

We are committed to education, inquiry and service in order to meet our students' ever growing and changing needs. We promote lifelong learning, civic and social responsibility, leadership, and career growth.

## Accreditation

### Regional Accreditation

Guam Community College is accredited by the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges, Western Association of Schools and Colleges, 428 J Street, Suite 400, Sacramento, CA, 95814, (415) 506-0234, an institutional accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation and the U.S. Department of Education. Additional information about accreditation, including the filing of complaints against member institutions, can be found on ACCJC's website ([accjc.org](http://accjc.org)) under the Resources dropdown menu [Complaint Process](#). Documents describing the accreditation of the College may be examined at the Vice President for Academic Affairs' (VPAA) office, Bldg. 2000, Suite 2234.

### Program Accreditation

The Associate of Arts in Culinary Arts program is accredited by the American Culinary Federation Education Foundation's (ACFEF) Accrediting Commission, which is recognized by the Council of Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA). Initial accreditation was granted on December 31, 2014. A reaffirmation of accreditation of the Culinary Arts program was granted for the period of February 2, 2018 to December 31, 2022. A reaffirmation of programmatic accreditation was received on February 1, 2023 and expires on December 31, 2029. Additionally, on October 2016, the College received notification that the World Association of Chefs' Societies (WACS) or Worldchefs awarded WACS Recognition of Quality Culinary Education to Guam Community College.